

Comprehensive Plan Subcommittee
Wednesday, March 23, 2006

Subcommittee:
Ginny Kelleher
Gloria Del Greco
Carolyn Stevenson
Jack Hart
Ken Kingshill

Petitioner - PC Wright & Associates:
Chuck Wright

The Comprehensive Plan subcommittee of the Westfield-Washington Township Advisory Plan Commission met to give second consideration to the Tomlinson Terrace rezoning petition. The petitioner did not arrive for the scheduled 7PM start time, so the subcommittee accepted comments from members of the public.

Jim Cook stated that the area was a farm neighborhood and not a developed area, but that the proposed development appeared "halfway decent." He expressed concern that the commitments would allow 70 units when the petitioner had verbally indicated a maximum of 60. He stated that he was not opposed to the petition, but that he wished the petitioner would wait five years until he had moved out of town. He stated that he would provide copies of correspondence between neighbors and the petitioner for the file.

Mark Pettinger asked about comments made at a previous meeting regarding how close the subject site was to potential future commercial development. He stated that current neighbors hoped petitions like the current one would be approved, as it would help keep intense uses away or at least encourage transitions.

Terry England stated he like the existing tree canopy along Tomlinson Road.

Dave Compton stated that he wanted to see slower traffic on Tomlinson Road.

The petitioner, Chuck Wright, arrived prior to 8 PM. He presented copies of updated commitments which addressed issues staff presented at a previous meeting. He was able to respond to some of the comments made by members of the public.

The subcommittee voted unanimously to recommend the full APC make a favorable recommendation to the Town Council.

Following the consideration of the Tomlinson Terrace petition, the subcommittee heard Jeremy Fretts, an architect with Architectural Alliance, speak regarding Traditional Neighborhood Design (TND).

